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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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Applicant: Mitsuo FUKUDA et al.

Examiner: Tyson, Melanie R.

Title: MEDICAL LANCET

Customer Service Window  
Randolph Building  
401 Dulany Street  
Alexandria, VA 22314  
**Mail Stop Amendment**

**October 17, 2007**

Sir:

In reply to the Action under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213, mailed September 19, 2007, the following amendments and remarks are submitted. In view of these, Applicant requests reconsideration and further examination culminating in a Notice of Allowance.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2.

**Remarks** begin on page 10.

|                    | Claims remaining after Amendment |   | Highest number previously paid for |   | Present extra |
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